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SUBJECT: EXPERTS' REPORT ON INDIAN OCEAN: PROPOSED
RESPONSE

REF: STATE 105650

1. WE PASSED SUBSTANCE OF REFTTEL TO BARBARA RICHARDS OF
FCO DISARMAMENT DEPARTMENT A.M. MAY 21. SHE PROMISED
HMG RESPONSE SOONEST TO OUR REQUEST FOR COMMENTS ON PRO-
POSED U.S. COURSE OF ACTION. SHE ANTICIPATED THAT UK
WOULD CONCUR IN U.S. APPROACH.

2. RICHARDS AND OTHER FCO OFFICIALS NOTED THAT EXPERTS'
REPORT IS NOT AS INACCURATE IN ITS DESCRIPTION OF UK
ACTIVITIES AS IT IS IN DESCRIPTIONS OF U.S., AUSTRALIAN
AND EVEN SOVIET AND CHINESE ACTIVITIES. SHE PREDICTED
THAT, AS A RESULT, UK WILL NOT FIND IT NECESSARY TO ISSUE
PUBLIC STATEMENT OR TAKE OTHER ACTION TO PUT REPORT IN
PERSPECTIVE. POINT IS THAT UK HAS NO REAL GROUNDS FOR
COMPLAINT. BUT UK RECOGNIZES THAT REPORT IS VERY POOR
AND, IN ALL LIKELIHOOD, WILL WORK WITH U.S. IN CORRIDORS
OF UN TO POINT OUT ERRORS OF FACT AND ANALYSIS.

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